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For: USER-FRIENDLY IMAGE FORMING  
APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR  
RECEIVING INSTRUCTIONS RELATING TO  
IMAGE DATA FROM AN EXTERNAL  
DEVICE AND TRANSMITTING IMAGE-  
RELATED INFORMATION TO THE  
EXTERNAL DEVICE (as amended)

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Examiner: Vincent M. Rudolph

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111**

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Sir:

In response to the Action mailed May 22, 2009, and prior to action on the Request for Continued Examination filed concurrently herewith, applicants respectfully request consideration of the following claim amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 8.